

Polarimeter L1, L2 intercomparisons

Proposed plan

- 1 Kirk will host a website with information required to perform L1, L2 intercomparisons (location TBD but probably earthscience.arc.nasa.gov/person/Kirk_Knobelspiesse)
 - 2 L1 comparison scenes + matchup results listed for PODEX, SEAC4RS +
 - 3 Instrument PI's to perform L2 retrievals on these scenes.
 - 4 Kirk to perform 'error projection' ie simulation of retrieval error based on measurement uncertainty
 - 5 Above compared to L2 retrieval results
 - 6 Update, refine, as calibration improves, data are gathered, and algorithms become more sophisticated
 - 7 Goal is initial results for Fall AGU presentation timeframe
- This does not preclude independent L1, L2 analysis by polarimeter teams
 - Anybody can propose comparison scenes.
 - Additional scenes will prioritize comparability, in situ/comparison data availability
 - Limited access to website? No public release until unanimous PI consent?
 - GRASP vs in house retrieval algorithms?

Current L1 comparison scenes:

Field Campaign	Date	AirMSPI time	RSP time	AM min Lat.	AM max Lat.	AM min Lon.	AM max Lon.	RSP min scan	RSP max scan	# RSP scans	RSP aggregate alt (m)	Flight Fraction	Wing flex	AM file type	Saveset name	Comments
PODEX	1/31/13	211538	210829	34.829	34.911	-118.145	-118.035	502	548	46	ground	0.760	1.59	000N	Rosamond	
PODEX	2/3/13	221143	214011	36.591	37.011	-122.145	-121.845	2058	2134	76	0	0.927	1.54	SWPF	BayA	Northern Monterey Bay scene. Low reflectance, moderate/high DoLP
PODEX	2/3/13	221143	214011	36.591	37.011	-122.145	-121.845	2150	2225	75	0	0.927	1.54	SWPF	BayB	Same scene as above, more southerly cloud free portion
PODEX	2/3/13	181210	175256	36.767	36.866	-122.536	-122.435	1381	1397	16	1226	0.149	1.96	000N	CLDY181210	Marine Sc cloud @ ~ 1.2km
PODEX	2/3/13	194304	191855	38.273	38.391	-124.953	-124.824	1713	1774	61	1290	0.449	1.74	000N	CLDY194304	Marine Sc cloud @ ~ 1 km
PODEX	2/3/13	203602	202948	36.840	37.011	-125.031	-124.931	420	516	96	1290	0.624	1.64	000N	CLDY203602	Marine Sc cloud @ ~1.1km
PODEX	2/6/13	230819	230138	33.532	33.660	-118.161	-118.009	464	525	61	0	0.958	1.53	000N	Huntington	Clear coastal S. Cali scene, overpass of AERONET SeaPRISM site. Low reflectance, high DoLP

Additions to consider PODEX 'scorecard'

Priority	Description	Preferred location	Achieved by AirMSPI y/n , date	Achieved by PACS y/n , date	Achieved by RSP y/n , date	Required Coordination w/ DISCOVER-AQ (spec. instruments)
1a	Completely cloud-free, aerosol-free conditions	over ocean	Yes, 1/14/2013 no DAQ data; 2/6/2013 on transit with HSRL (not aerosol free)	2/6/2013 on transit with HSRL (not aerosol free)	Yes, 1/14/2013 no DAQ data; 2/6/2013 on transit with HSRL (not aerosol free)	Yes (B200 flew over water on 2/6/2013 – None with P3)
1b	Completely cloud-free, aerosol-free conditions	Rosamond dry lake & DAOF parking lot	Yes, Rosamond, 1/31/2013	Yes, Rosamond, 1/31/2013	Yes, Rosamond, 1/31/2013	No (DAOF attempts (2) were cloud contaminated)
2	Targets of opportunity: high aerosol loading (any type)	Any surface				Yes (aerosol in situ, HSRL)
3	Stratus cloud deck	Ocean	Yes, 2/3/2013	Yes, 2/3/2013	Yes 2/3/2013	Yes (CAPS, HSRL) (CAPS but no HSRL on 2/3/2013)
4	Moderate aerosol	Ocean (beyond continental shelf)	2/6/2013 just off the LA coast	2/6/2013 just off the LA coast	2/6/2013 just off the LA coast	Yes (B200 flew over water on 2/6/2013 – None with P3)
5	Moderate aerosol	Dark land surface	Yes 1/16/2013, 1/18/2013	Yes 1/18/2013, 1/20/2013 (optimizing settings)	Yes 1/16/2013, 1/18/2013, 1/20/2013, 1/31/2013	Yes (aerosol in situ, HSRL)